



Loudoun County



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WHERE TRADITION MEETS INNOVATION

Review of Floodplain Overlay District

Board of Supervisors Business Meeting
April 19, 2022

Board of Supervisors Information Request

- Business Meeting, January 04, 2022:
 - Provide responses to questions regarding the Ordinance change advising the Board that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) was requiring specific modification to the County's Ordinance

National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

- Provides federally backed flood insurance
- Loudoun County unincorporated areas participating since 1978
- Required to adopt floodplain management standards



2015 Zoning Ordinance Revisions

- October 2014 FEMA visit
- County ordinance did not meet NFIP standards
- Section 4-1500 revised
 - Adopted December 2015
 - Assured continued participation in NFIP

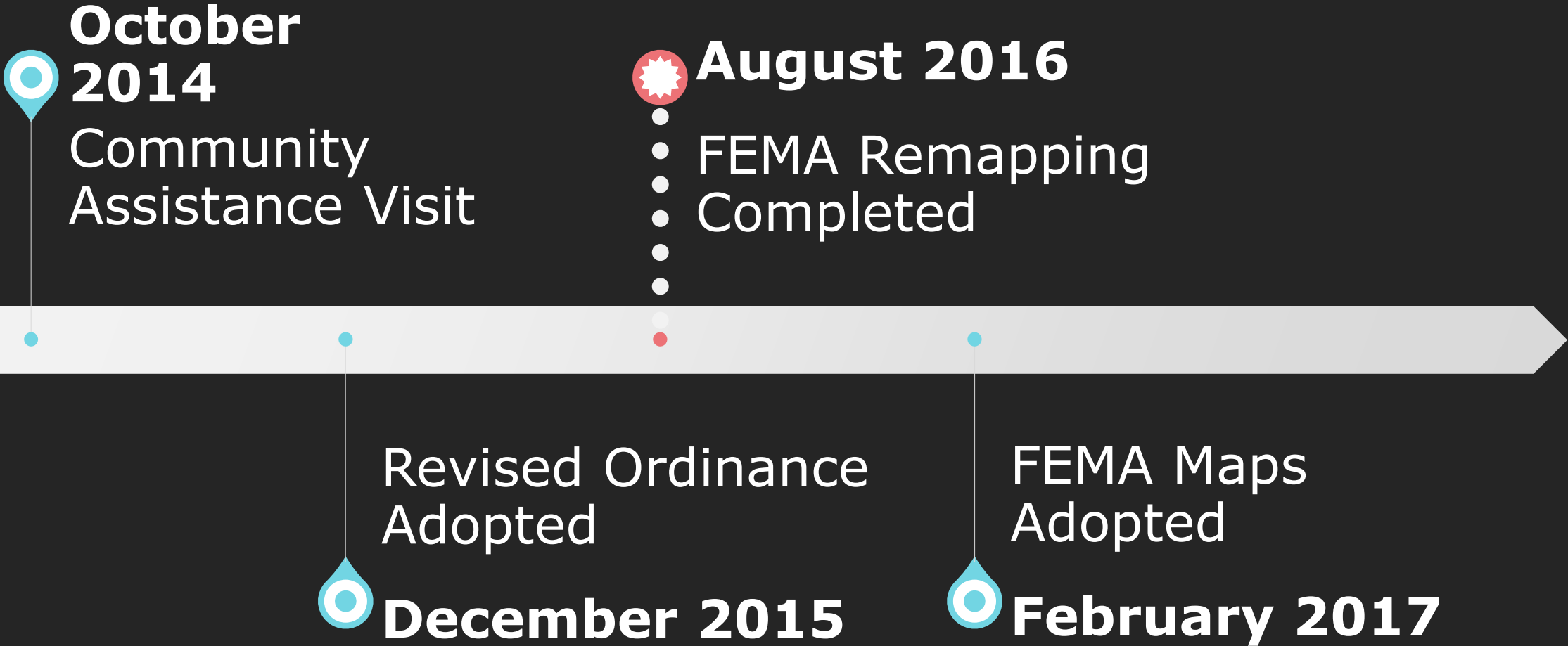


2017 Floodplain Remapping



- Separate effort initiated by FEMA
- Map adoption by Loudoun County required to remain in NFIP
- Revision to Floodplain Overlay District (FOD) of the Zoning Ordinance
 - Board adopted February 2017

Timeline of Events



Board Questions

- Why was the Board told in 2017 by staff that the proposed modifications to the Floodplain Management ordinances and regulations were required by FEMA?
- Do FEMA requirements require Loudoun County to have a “no rise/no impact” ordinances and regulations?

Board Questions (continued)

- Is it accurate that Loudoun was the only jurisdiction in Virginia to make this change? If so, why wasn't the Board told that other jurisdictions were not making these changes?
- Was the Board provided with the practical impacts of the “no rise/no impact” changes proposed by Staff in 2017? If not, why not? If so, what was the Board provided?